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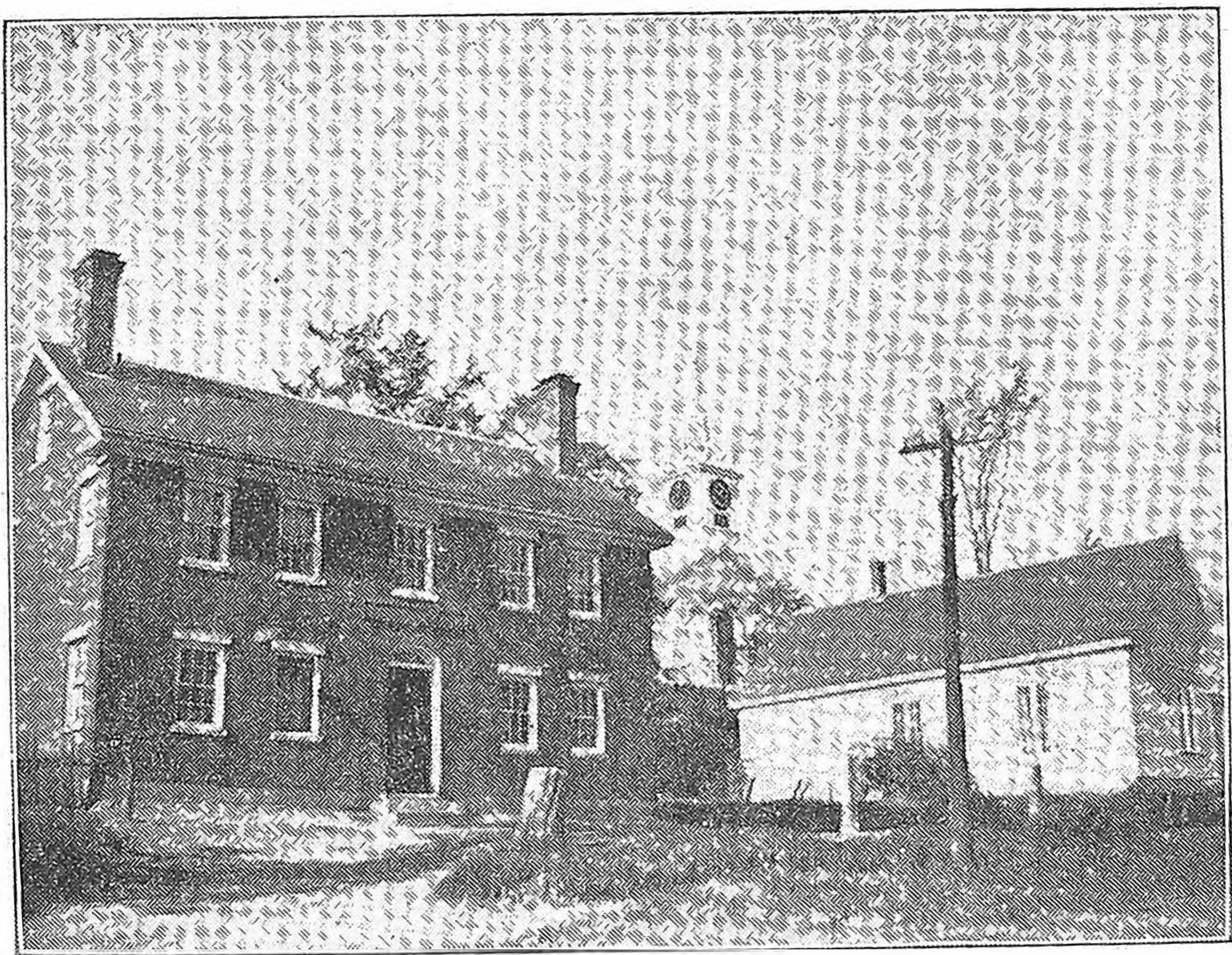
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FORTY-THIRD
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OF WINTERPORT



Post Office Block and Selectmen's Office.

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1904-5.

TOWN OFFICERS
For the year 1904.

Town Clerk,
DANIEL M. SPENCER.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor,
AMOS F. CARLETON, IRA G. YOUNG AND SEARS E. LITTLEFIELD.

Treasurer,
CHARLES C. MOODY.

Constable and Collector,
HERBERT I. COLE.

Town Agent and Auditor of Accounts,
SETH H. MORGAN.

School Committee,
J. H. BAKER, W. D. THOMPSON, W. S. LITTLEFIELD.

Superintendent of Schools and Truant Officer,
ELLERY BOWDEN.

Health Officers,
A. R. FELLOWS, M. D., T. H. SPROWL AND W. D. THOMPSON.

Sealer of Weights and Measures,
SETH H. MORGAN.

Fire Wardens,
E. B. LOWE, GEORGE WEED, F. W. CARLETON.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

MARRIAGES, DEATHS AND BIRTHS.

Jan. 1, 1904 to Jan. 1, 1905.

Number of Marriages.....	8
“ Deaths.....	21
“ Births	20

I desire to call the attention of parents to the importance of reporting the Christian names of their children to the Town Clerk, immediately after naming them, as a large percentage of the births are reported by physicians and as children are seldom named until sometime after birth, the physicians are unable to report the name selected.

Parents are requested to call and examine the Record of Births and make the addition necessary to complete the record.

DOG LICENSES RECORDED.

Males 101.....	\$101 00
Females 5	15 00
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Total paid Treasurer.....	<u>\$116 00</u>

APPROPRIATED BY VOTE OF TOWN.

Common Schools,	\$1,800 00
Free High School,	400 00
Text Books,	500 00
School House Repairs,	20 00
School House Repairs, No. 14,	250 00
Highways and Bridges,	3,000 00
State Road,	200 00
Road Machine,	225 00
Support of Poor,	800 00
Salaries,	1,000 00
Abatement of Taxes,	100 00
Discount of Taxes for early payment,	100 00
Hydrant and Miscellaneous,	1,000 00
Memorial Day,	50 00
Town Clock,	25 00
Free Library,	100 00
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Total,	\$9,750 00

Respectfully submitted,

D. M. SPENCER, Town Clerk.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Real Estate, Resident	\$388,371 00	
" " Non-Resident	37,605 00	
	<hr/>	\$425,976 00
Personal Estate, Resident	98,055 00	
" " Non-Resident	1,348 00	
	<hr/>	99,403 00
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Total valuation		\$525,379 00
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Number of Polls, taxed	459	
" " not taxed	75	
" " supplementary	1	
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Total	535	

Tax rate 20 mills.

Tax on \$525,379 @ 2%	\$10,507 58	
Tax on 459 polls@ \$3	1,377 00	
	<hr/>	\$11,884 58
State Tax	1,548 07	
County Tax	583 66	
Town voted to raise	9,750 00	
Overlay	2 85	
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Amount of Assessment		11,884 58
Supplementary		3 00
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Total commitment to Collector		11,887 58

SUMMARY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

No.	Average Value.	
431 Horses	\$46 06	19,849 00
17 " 3 years	40 90	695 00
13 " 2 "	32 70	425 00
24 " 1 "	22 12	531 00
655 Cows	22 03	14,431 00
4 Oxen	25 00	100 00
196 Cows 3 years	18 00	3,529 00
177 " 2 "	15 10	2,675 00
198 " 1 "	8 03	1,791 00
705 Sheep	2 50	1,762 00
292 Swine	5 93	1,732 00
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Total live stock		\$47,520 00
Bank Stock, 23 shares	2,300 00	
Winterport Ferry 83 shares	830 00	
" " 40 shares	1,000 00	
Money at Interest	16,395 00	
Stock in Trade	20,895 00	
Shipping 468 tons	1,758 00	
Logs and Lumber	650 00	
63 carriages	1,880 00	
65 Pianos and Organs	4,100 00	

Furniture.....	\$ 425 00	
Machinery not taxed as Real Estate.....	1,650 00	51,883 00
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Total Personal Property		\$99,403 00

ABATEMENTS.

To HOWARD GRANT, COLLECTOR,

Addison Hayes, 1900, error	\$3 00
Milo Carter, 1900 not here	3 00
Albert Cook, 1899 and 1900, not here.....	6 00
W. C. Chapman, deceased, 1900.....	3 00
Frank Coombs, 1899, not here	3 00
Samuel Cookson, 1901, deceased,	3 00
J. H. Curtis Jr., 1899, 1900, not here.....	6 00
Stella Curtis, 1901, error	57
Arthur Foster, 1901, not here.....	3 00
Charles Gavett, 1901, not here.....	3 00
Merton Gross, 1901, not here,.....	1 75
H. L. Kennison, 1901, not here	3 00
George Littlefield, 1901, not here.....	3 00
Frank McCormack, 1900, not twenty-one	3 00
Benjamin Nichols, 1901, sick.....	4 84
George Nichols, 1899, 1900, 1901, deceased	7 00
Frank Nado, 1900, not here.....	4 90
W. J. Rosignoll, 1900, not here.....	3 00
Henry Rogers, 1900, not here.....	3 80
Bert Thompson, 1900, not here.....	3 00
William Thompson, 1900, 1901, not here.....	6 00
Bert Young, 1899, 1900, not here,.....	5 40
Hattie Gould, 1900, error	1 40
Annie Walker, 1900, over-valuation	5 00

88 66

To H. I. COLE, COLLECTOR,

Ralph Cole, 1903, not here.....	3 92
Charles Dorr, 1903, not here.....	3 00
Burke S. Norris, 1903, not here	3 00
Uriah Stubbs, 1903, sick,	75

George A. Young, 1903 not here.....	\$3 00	
*Two taxes were abated to Cole for	9 96	
Richard Ryder, 1904 error in valuation.....	40	
Ned Weed, 1904, not twenty-one.....	3 00	
Frank Pratt, 1904, paid in Newburg	3 00	
Rufus Nealey " " Monroe,	3 00	
Gustavus Johnson " Mass.,	3 00	
P. C. Rich, 1904, error	6 00	
Charles Dorr, 1904, not here	3 00	
Thomas Drummond, 1904 not here.....	3 00	
Josiah Hall, " " "	3 00	
Ernest Harvey, " " "	3 00	
Harry Wilson, " " "	3 00	
		57 03
Total		<u>\$145 69</u>

*Cole has since collected the above \$9.96 and paid same to the treasurer.

AMOS F. CARLETON	} Assessors of Winterport.
IRA G. YOUNG	
SEARS E. LITTLEFIELD	

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 25, 1905.

On. Feb. 18th 1904, the assets of the town were:—

Cash in the Treasury	\$501 13	
Due from State for Free High School.....	250 00	
" " " " Porcupine bounties.....	10 50	
Howard Grant, collector.....	556 23	
H. I. Cole, "	2,189 14	
Unexpended balance		\$3,507 00

Taxes committed to H. I. Cole, 1904.....	\$11,887 58	
Taxes of 1903 list abated but afterward collected		
by Cole.....	9 96	
Interest on 1903 and 1904 list, collected by Cole,..	74 29	
State school fund.....	1,212 45	
State R. R. and Telegraph Tax	334 74	
State for Free High School.....	250 00	
State refunded dog tax	105 41	
" repaid damaged by dogs	16 00	
" paid on state road	100 00	
Sales from farm including board	432 50	
Estate of Ellen M. Hall, sale of one share of		
schooner Telumah.....	18 75	
Grass from Allen lot.....	75	
		14,442 63
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Total income,.....		\$17,949 43

PAID OUT DURING THE YEAR.

For State Tax, 1904,	\$1,548 07	
" County tax 1904.....	583 66	
" Common Schools.....	3,090 66	
" Free High School.....	648 00	
" Text Books	324 82	
" School House Repairs.....	437 81	
" Highways including new road machine...	3,508 36	
" State Road	305 03	
" Pauper account.....	452 74	
" Town Farm	853 10	
" Salaries	917 97	
" Abatements	145 69	
" Discounts	177 16	
" Hydrants and Miscellaneous	1,407 69	14,400 76
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Leaving unexpended balance		\$ 3,548 67

ASSETS.

Cash in Treasury	\$529 67	
Due from State for Free High School.....	250 00	
" " Howard Grant.....	346 10	
" " H. I. Cole, balance 1904 list.....	2,422 90	\$3,548 67

UNSETTLED BILLS

KNOWN OR ESTIMATED.

Due P. R. Downs Estate Trust Fund.....	\$100 00	
" for Constable, 1904	10 00	
" " Free High School winter term	216 00	
" " Text Books	198 43	
" " Janitors and repairs estimated.....	39 50	
" " Conveying scholars "	55 00	
" " Snow bills "	500 00	1,118 93

Net Assets.....		<u>\$2,429 74</u>
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ACCOUNT WITH COLLECTORS.

On Feb. 18, 1904, H. Grant owed.....	\$556 23	
Paid Treasurer to date.....	210 13	
Balance due.....		346 10
On Feb. 18, 1904, H. I. Cole owed.....	2,189 14	
Committed taxes for 1904	11,884 58	
Supplementary tax	3 00	
Abated taxes of 1903 since collected... ..	9 96	
Interest collected on 1903 list	66 45	
" " 1904 "	7 84	
	<u>14,160 97</u>	
Paid Treasurer to date.....	11,738 07	
Balance due		<u>2,422 90</u>
Total uncollected taxes		<u>\$2,769 00</u>

There is now due on the list of 1899 to Grant	\$40 76	
“ “ “ “ 1900 “	109 21	
“ “ “ “ 1901 “	196 13	\$346 10
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“ “ “ “ 1904 “ to Cole		2,422 90
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Total amount of four lists.....		<u>\$2,769 00</u>

It will be noticed that Mr. Cole has settled with the town in full for the lists of 1902 and 1903. He will settle the balance of the 1904 list in June next.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

COMMON SCHOOLS.

Amount raised by Town.....	\$1,800 00	
State School Fund.....	1,212 45	
Balance unexpended, 1903	172 42	3,184 87
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Paid Teachers	2,245 50	
“ Fuel	211 65	
“ Janitors.....	159 51	
“ Conveying.....	474 00	
	<hr/>	3,090 66
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Balance unexpended.....		94 21

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

Amount raised by town, regular.....	\$200 00	
“ “ “ for No. 14	250 00	
	<hr/>	450 00
Paid Frank Carleton for house No. 14 and lot ...	125 00	
“ - Walter Clark for repairing same	130 00	

Paid all other repairs	\$182 81	
Amount overdrawn 1903	56 05	493 86
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Amount overdrawn		\$43 86
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FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Amount unexpended, 1903	\$234 00	
“ raised by town	400 00	
“ received from state	250 00	\$884 00
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Paid J. I. Frederick, teaching		648 00
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Balance due		236 00

TEXT BOOKS.

Amount raised by town		\$500 00
Balance overdrawn, 1903	30 67	
Paid orders	324 82	355 49
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Unexpended balance		144 51

THE FOLLOWING BILLS WERE PAID FOR TEXT BOOKS.

C. R. Lougee, stationery	21 25
Goodrich Publishing Co., 3 charts \$45. Int \$4.50.	49 50
C R. Hill, express on books etc.,	10 43
D. C. Heath,	2 28
American Book Co.,	86 97
Ginn & Co.,	134 88
Benjamin N. Sanborn & Co.,	19 27
E. M. Hall, crayon	24
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	\$324 82

SCHOOL EXPENSE BY NUMBER AND DEPARTMENT

No.	Name.	Teaching.	Fuel	Janitor.	Conveying.	Repairs.	Total.
1	Carleton	\$210 00	\$17 00	\$ 7 50	\$85 00	\$ 4 75	\$324 25
2	No. Village	510 00	55 25	50 11		98 89	714 25
3	Oak Point	100 00	10 50	5 00		2 75	118 25
4	Cove	190 00	13 75	2 50	35 00	11 23	252 48
5	Ellingwood's	210 00	13 75	5 00		4 75	233 50
7	White's Cor.	232 00	14 50	6 50	314 00	11 15	578 15
9	Mardens	207 50	14 00	2 50		4 55	228 55
10	Conant	196 00	14 00	6 75		4 73	221 48
14	Boyd's Cor.	180 00	14 50	6 75	30 00	273 58	504 83
16	So. Village	210 00	44 40	66 90	10 00	21 43	352 73
		\$2,245 50	\$211 65	\$159 51	\$474 00	\$437 81	\$3,528 47

The school room at No. 2, was sheathed in hard pine and varnished. School No. 14, at Moody's Mill was located at Boyd's Corner to combine with Dyer's district. The building lot and repairs so far have cost about \$260. The town voted \$250. Other repairs including grading of lot and placing rock foundation will have to be made this year.

Only two terms were taught at No. 3, the pupils being conveyed to No. 4 during the fall term.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Amount voted by town,	\$3,000 00	
“ “ for state road	200 00	
“ paid by state	100 00	
“ voted for new road machine.....	225 00	
“ brought from miscellaneous account.	1,000 00	\$4,525 00
“ overdrawn in 1903	660 39	
“ paid in 1904	3,508 36	
“ “ for state road	305 03	4,473 78
Balance unexpended.....		\$51 22

ROAD EXPENSES BY DISTRICT.

FROM FEB. 18, 1094 to FEB. 25, 1905.

No.	Deputy.	Total.
1.	E. S. Cole,	\$64 65
2.	North Village.....	155 00
3.	S. L. Perkins.....	107 31
4	Sanford H Ritchie,	86 69
5	Charles E. Campbell.....	236 40
6	J. Leon Carletoe,.....	37 57
7	J. W. and Willis Carleton	46 39
8	So. Village.....	173 75
9	James E. Young.....	104 77
10	William M. Young	88 97
11	Simeon S. Cole.....	64 44
12	Aubert Hurd and M. R. Hurd	96 89
13	John and George W. Cole.....	101 51
14	Charles A. Curtis	50 46
15	Willis J. Carleton	99 10
16	Levi P. Hackett.....	57 46
17	Daniel L. Dyer	58 96
18	Albert Conant and J. Page.....	53 09
19	Fred Cole	96 10
20	W. S. Littlefield	68 12
21	E. R. Colson.....	80 85
22	T. O. Shields	59 85
23	S. Chase and E. C. Clements.....	40 25
24	Herbert E. Ellingwood	128 31
25	Ira G. White.....	139 02
26	Manley L. Colson.....	19 08
27	Wellington Chase.....	146 30
28	Albert J. Clark.....	81 78
29	Frank Grant.....	76 46
30	Fred D. Clark.....	65 91
31	Charles B. Jewett	50 11
32	George H. York	124 24
33	Harry McLaughlin	66 90
34	Charles C. Clements.....	117 78

35	Frank E. Clark.....	\$100 91
36	Hugh M. Smith	127 62
37	Daniel H Perkins.....	24 70
	New Road Machine	200 00
	New Cutting Edge \$8.50 and sundry repairs \$2.16	10 66
	Total.....	<u>\$3,508 36</u>

STATE ROAD.

Frank Carleton, general labor.....	\$17 63
Alvin Nichols " "	1 75
Iasiah Downs " "	8 63
Charles McDermott " "	13 13
Leslie Downs " "	5 63
James Carleton " "	16 63
Fred Cole " "	16 63
Ira M. Hurd, gravel,.....	24 60
Ira G. Young labor.....	16 50
Archie Downs "	16 63
A. K. Downs	3 00
E. S. Cole, general labor	16 62
J. W. Arey " "	13 13
John H. Young, bridge,	100 00
O. W. Colson, general labor	4 13
C. B. Downs " "	10 50
Simeon Downs " "	1 50
Munro H. Colson " "	5 63
Lee and Arno Varney	7 13
Lewis Sullivan	5 63
Total.....	<u><u>\$305 03</u></u>

The above amount was expended on the hill and road between Simeon Downs' Mrs. Mrs. Rose Sullivan's. The road was turnpiked, graveled and a stone culvert below Mrs. Sullivan's was built by John H. Young.

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Amount voted by town	\$800 00	
Sales of Farm	312 27	
Rec'd for T. Colson's board to Sept. 22, '04.....	64 80	
" Isaac Rich's " Aug. 8 to Feb. 22, '05	55 43	
" Estate of Ellen M. Hall	18 75	1,251 25
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Paid orders for farm.....	853 10	
" " poor not on Farm.....	452 74	
Amount overdrawn 1903	149 30	1,455 14
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Amount overdrawn.....		\$203 89

TOWN FARM.

Orders paid from Feb. 18, 1904 to Feb. 18, 1905.

M. Tenney, hay	\$12 00	
C. Woodman, hay	13 66	
George Hardy,	13 76	39 42
Albert Cole, Supt. to Feb. 18, 1905.....		300 00
" " sundry supplies paid in cash.....		76 05
D. M. Spencer, casket and hardware		26 12
H. D. Ellingwood, groceries and supplies.....		190 72
Roy Littlefield, meat.....		3 69
John Cole, 2 pigs		3 00
N. Wheelden, groceries		2 62
W. N. Baker, grave, Mrs. Fahey.....		3 00
E. S. Young, repairing harness.....		6 08
A. R. Fellows, medical attendance.....		9 00
C. R. Hill, groceries.....		12 39
Webster Hopkins, meat, etc		5 52
W. F. Arey, horse shoeing.....		6 00
I. Rankin, provisions		30 25
F. C. Atwood, drugs and supplies.....		14 63
E. M. Hall, dry goods		6 97
R. S. Perkins		8 74
C. A. McKenney, flour and grain.....		99 62

C. C. Moody, dry goods.....	\$ 4 25
Treat & Lowe, shoes, etc.....	5 03
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Total orders paid.....	\$853 10
Less board and Sales of Farm.....	432 50
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Cost of Poor on Farm.....	<u>\$ 420 60</u>

SALES OF FARM.

Plank	\$ 50	Eggs.....	\$34 27
Pork	4 32	Sheep and Lambs .	77 63
Potatoes.....	45 42	Veal.....	36 71
Butter.....	4 40	Cream	70 54
Wool.....	20 18	Vinegar.....	2 55
Fowl	15 75		<hr/>
		Total.....	\$312 27
Board of T. Colson, Feb. 18 to Sept. 22, '04, @ 30¢ a day,			64 80
“ “ Isaac Rich, Aug. 8, to Feb. 18, '05 @ \$2.00 a week,			55 43
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Total income of farm.....			\$432 50
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Cost of poor not on farm.....			452 74
“ “ on “			420 60
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Total cost of poor,.....			<u>\$873 34</u>

COST OF POOR NOT ON FARM.

Paid board of A. D. Coppin Maine Insane Hospital, to Nov. 30th '04,.....	\$131 00
“ board, care and expense of R. A. Vinal to town of Etna, and E. M. I. Hospital in full	257 04
“ rent and fuel for Sarah Hall.....	42 00
“ J. F. Hussey, groceries for Joseph Massure, settlement in Prospect	10 00
“ A. R. Fellows M. D., attendance V. Porter	8 50

Paid expense getting Fred Bolan to Hospital	\$2 70
“ I. S. Young, care of tramps	1 50
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Total orders	<u>\$452 74</u>

The case of B. A. Vinal proved to be one of the most serious pauper expenses in four years. He was reported in the early spring of 1904 to be violently insane at Etna and unable to be moved. The expense of doctor and attendance soon became a large bill unknown to us. After investigating the case the original bill was reduced nearly one-half and Vinal taken to the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital for treatment, from which institution he was discharged as cured Sept. 10, 1904. He was then allowed to return to his family on condition that they would incur no further expense from that date. When other expenses are made he will be removed to Town Farm.

INVENTORY OF STOCK, TOOLS ETC. ON FARM, FEB. 18, 1905

1 Horse.....	\$35 00	5 Milk cans	\$4 50
4 Cows	100 00	45 Bushels potatoes.....	13 50
1 Two year old.....	12 00	80 Bushels turnips.....	16 00
3 Swine.....	28 00	8 Barrels apples	8 00
50 Lbs. dried apples..	3 50	Peas.....	2 00
400 Gals Vinegar.....	48 00	Lumber	5 00
18 Cords wood.....	90 00	Wire netting... ..	1 80
60 Hens	30 00	11 $\frac{3}{4}$ Tons ice.....	11 75
Farming tools.....	45 00	125 Lbs. Pork	11 25
Root cutter	5 00	3 Tons hay.....	30 00
Harness.....	10 00	Groceries on hand	16 00
Wagon and Pung..	15 00	Grain on hand	1 40
Tackle and fall....	3 00	8 Gals. pickles.....	2 40
Furniture, stoves.	120 00	5 Lbs. butter.....	1 25
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Total.....			<u>\$669 35</u>

Mary Fahey died March 23, 1904 and Theophilus Colson on Sept. 22, 1904. Isaac Rich was taken to the farm by his guardian, Seth H. Morgan, Aug. 8, 1904. There are now on the farm George Damon, Edgar Downs, Patrick Fahey, Lina Hall, John Foley and Isaac Rich,—6.

GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

SALARIES.

Amount raised by town	\$1,000 00
Amount overdrawn, 1903.....	94 92
Amount paid in 1903	917 97 1,012 89

Balance overdrawn	<u>\$12 89</u>
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G. W. Ritchie, Ira White, W. H. Lord, and George Rich, ballot clerks.....	12 00
S. H. Morgan, auditor for 1903.....	6 00
H. I. Cole, collector, 3% commission	350 77
“ constable for 1903	10 00
H. Grant collector, 2% commission	4 20
Ellery Bowden, Supt. of Schools	100 00
A. F. Carleton, Selectman, Overseer and Assessor,	150 00
Ira G. Young “ “ “ “	75 00
Sears E. Littlefield “ “ “ “	75 00
C. C. Moody, Treasurer “ “ “	75 00

Total orders.....	<u>\$917 97</u>
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STATE.

Amount due from State for Free High School.....	\$250 00
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COUNTY.

Taxes are paid to date	00
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ABATEMENTS.

Amount voted by town	\$100 00
“ unexpended last year.....	94 48
“ collected on last year's list by Cole	9 96 \$204 44

Amount of abatements allowed (see page 6)	\$145 69
Balance unexpended.....	<u>\$ 58 75</u>

DISCOUNTS.

Amount raised by town.....	\$100 00	
“ unexpended 1903.....	53 62	
Interest on 1903 list collected	66 45	
“ “ 1904 “ “ to date.....	7 84	\$227 91
Discount on taxes paid to July 1, 1904		<u>177 16</u>
Balance unexpended.....		<u>\$50 75</u>

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT.

Unexpended balance last year.....	\$3,843 81	
Vote of town, hydrants etc.	1,000 00	
“ “ clock and Memorial	75 00	
“ “ Free Library.....	100 00	
Supplementary tax.....	3 00	
Overlay.....	2 85	
R. R. and Telegraph Tax paid by State.....	334 74	
Dog tax refunded paid by state.....	105 41	
Damage to sheep “ “	16 00	
Sale of grass from Allen lot	75	\$5,481 56

Paid out the following—

To Warren Post G. A. R., Memorial,	\$ 50 00
“ Winterport Free Library	100 00
“ “ Hall Corp. rent to May 1, '04.....	60 00
“ C. E. Littlefield rent of office to Jan. 1, '04...	15 00
“ Winterport Water Co. hydrants to July, 1, '05	1,060 00
“ George F. Snow, winding town clock	25 00
“ D. M. Spencer, rep. marriages, births, deaths,	6 85
“ A. R. Fellows M. D., “ “ “	5 25

To A. E. Baker, rep. marriages, births, deaths ..	\$1 25	
“ A. E. Campbell wood for office	2 75	
“ Damage to sheep, Fred Ellingwood	\$12 00	
“ “ “ Everett Bartlett	4 00	16 00
“ Granville Grant, mowing old cemetery	5 25	
“ W. H. Baker, care of P. R. Downs lot 1904.	2 00	
“ A. F. Carleton postage on assessment cards,	6 02	
“ E. F. Dillingham, town books	8 62	
“ C. R. Lougee, Town Reports ass'm't cards...	34 00	
“ other miscellaneous accts.	9 70	
“ Transferred to Road Acct.	1,000 00	2,407 69
Balance unexpended		<u>\$3,073 87</u>

The unexpended balance of this account had become large enough to warrant the transfer of \$1000 to the road account which was overdrawn about \$950 on account of unusually large winter bills. This we hope may make it unnecessary to raise more than the usual amount for roads this spring and at the same time keep the balance at about \$3000, the amount which is needed to offset the uncollected taxes and leave cash enough in the treasury at the end of the year to pay all bills as they become due. This is the second time that we are able to report every order paid to date and a balance of \$500 on hand to meet current bills as they mature. We would not recommend that the unexpended balance of the miscellaneous account be reduced much less than \$3000 especially so, if the other accounts are overdrawn very much.

BALANCE OF ACCOUNTS.

	Unexpended.	Overdrawn.
Common Schools	\$ 94 21	
Free High School	236 00	
School House Repairs		\$43 86
Text Books	144 51	
Highways	51 22	
Support of Poor		203 89
Salaries		12 89
Abatements	58 75	
Discounts	50 75	
Miscellaneous	3,073 87	

Downs Trust Fund.....	\$100 00	
H. Grant, Collector, owes on taxes ...		\$ 346 10
H. I. Cole, " " " " ...		2,422 90
State for Free High School.....		250 00
Cash in Treasury		529 67
	<u>\$3,809 31</u>	<u>\$3,809 31</u>

ESTIMATES FOR APPROPRIATIONS.

We recommend that the following amounts be raised for the ensuing year.

Highways and Bridges	\$3,000 00
Support of Poor	900 00
Salaries	950 00
Abatements	100 00
Discounts	100 00
Hydrants and Miscellaneous	1,000 00
Memorial and Town	75 00
Common Schools	1,800 00
Free High School	400 00
Text Books.....	250 00
School House Repairs.....	350 00
Total.....	<u>\$8,925 00</u>

In closing this report we repeat that your town is out of debt; has no outstanding orders and has cash on hand to meet current bills. The system of settling with your collectors cannot be recommended too highly as the town loses little in abated taxes and meets its bills without borrowing money. The interest clause seems to be equitable for if a man prefers to let a tax run beyond Dec. 1, it is no more than just that interest be charged and it makes just about \$75 less to be raised for discounts; on the other hand 3% discount for payment of taxes by July 1, is large enough, as under this discount nearly one-half of the taxes were collected by July 1, and we were able to pay the large amount of June bills promptly. Winterport was the first to pay its County taxes for the last two years and in so doing did not delay the payment of any other bills.

Feb. 25, 1905.

AMOS F. CARLETON,	}	Selectmen of Winterport.
IRA G. YOUNG,		
SEARS E. LITTLEFIELD.		

C. C. MOODY, TREASURER,
IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WINTERPORT, FROM FEB. 18, 1904,
To FEB. 25, 1905

Dr.

To balance from settlement.....	\$501 13
“ received from H. Grant, collector.....	210 13
“ “ “ H. I. Cole “	11,738 07
“ Free High School	250 00
“ Dog tax refunded	105 41
“ A. J. Cole, Supt.	432 50
“ State Pensions	252 00
“ Town clerk, dog tax.....	116 00
“ Estate Ellen M. Hall	18 75
“ Grass on Allen lot	75
“ R. R. and Tel. tax.....	334 74
“ State for damage by dogs	16 00
“ School fund and mill tax.....	1,212 45
“ State roads	100 00
“ State for porcupine	10 50
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	\$15,298 43

C. C. MOODY, TREASURER.

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WINTERPORT, FROM FEB. 18, 1904,
TO FEB. 25 1905.

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By paid orders	\$12,269 03
“ “ County Tax	583 66
“ “ State Pensions	252 00
“ “ “ Tax	1,548 07
“ “ Dog Tax	116 00
“ balance cash on hand	529 67
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	\$15,298 43

I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer of our town for the year 1904-5, and find them correctly kept, with vouchers on file for all orders drawn.

S. H. MORGAN, Auditor.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

OF THE

TOWN OF WINTERPORT,

For the year ending March, 1905.

Fellow Citizens:—

Another school year has closed. It is my duty to report to you the result of the year's work in this important department of our local government. The schools during the year have been successful, there has been none that was a failure; we would have had some more of a success than they were but in such cases, it was more the fault of parent than teacher. In our form of government where each enjoys the utmost freedom, it is of great importance that the habit of willing obedience to rightful authority be taught and developed. I firmly believe that a person who has all the qualification for a teacher except that of government can never be successful as a teacher in our public schools, while one possessing the qualification for a good teacher who is not thus deficient will be successful. Parents who uphold children in disregarding the common requirements of good manners and propriety are in error far beyond their comprehension. In case of difference of opinion between teacher and pupil, it is safe to assume the teacher correct and the pupil in error instead of parents assuming the pupil correct and the teacher in error, as has been the case with a few but I am pleased to say such cases are not frequent.

A hearty co-operation of all is essential to success and such has been the case in almost every school in town during the past year; it should be universal and there be no exception to the rule in the future.

Good schools are the gateway to progress, prosperity and power and the best security for the liberty and independence of the people. A good school free to all, evidences the highest type of advanced civilization; it is the strongest rock of the foundation, the most enduring

stone of the temple of liberty; our surest stay in every storm, our present safety, our future hope of influence and honor. Surely such a noble institution deserves the honest support of all citizens; the private whims and narrow notions of a few should not be permitted to stay the wheels of advancing civilization.

SCHOOL HOUSES.

The town by vote directed the Selectmen to provide a schoolhouse for district No. 14 and they located the same near Boyd's Corner, this will accommodate the scholars of that district and those formerly of district No. 11. The sum voted for that purpose was not sufficient to enable them to provide a woodshed, it should be arranged so that they have one at once; the old seats used in the schoolhouse at No. 14 were used in the building at Boyd's, as there was not sufficient money available for that purpose to make other provisions. It would be wise to raise a sum to provide different seats for the building and also to provide better seats for the school house at White's Corner

HIGH SCHOOL.

The town is wise in maintaining a high school. It should be continued as it is a necessity and is successful. There are sufficient reasons why every citizen of the town should be an earnest advocate of it as a permanent part of our school system; those who have no interest in such a school should realize that without it, we must by law pay the tuition of all scholars from this town, who attend approved schools of standard grade in other towns, provided not more than thirty dollars for each pupil per year shall be paid by the town for that purpose.

Without such a school here, the result would be that we should pay out more money for tuition than it costs us to maintain our school, this should not be permitted to occur, but of more importance is the fact that you would deprive many of the opportunity to acquire an education. "The chief difference between an educated and an uneducated person is not that the first is acquainted with regions invisible to the second, away from common sight and interest but that he understands the common things which the second only sees."

As the town must make provisions to educate its children, we should decide to maintain our High School permanently. What a marvelous conception is the public school system of our State; to our schools all the scholars of the town are wanted and welcome without money and

without price; they are supported with boundless generosity by the people and are open to the children of the humblest citizen as freely and ungrudgingly as to the children of the most wealthy; within its jurisdiction all distinction, social, political and religious is banished, all differences hushed, all barriers removed; it recognizes neither party, creed, condition nor station but all have an opportunity for advancement in proportion to the work they will do and its bounties and benefits fall in equal measure upon all. We have endeavored, "With malice toward none, with charity for all" to perform the duties required. We thank all who have in any way worked for the good of our schools and the people generally, for their interest and assistance.

ELLERY BOWDEN,
Superintendent of Schools.



